Free grant of wood and bamboos to raiyats for building purposes.

Messrs. B. Kesava Iyengar and Kesavadas Iyengar, Belur Taluk.

To poor agricultural raiyats who build houses on sanitary principles, wood and bamboos may be given free

Reply of Government.—Rule 7 of Malnad Raiyats' Privilege Rules of 1896 permits raiyats to remove thorny bamboos for hedges and fences, and Rule 5 provides for the free removal of bamboos for cattle pens, sheds, pandals, small huts and machans to be put up in fields and for stack floors. The question whether any discretion should be given to Deputy Commissioners to allow the grant of building materials to poor agriculturists will be referred to the Revenue Commissioner, the Conservator of Forests and Deputy Commissioners for opinion.

SUBJECT No. 187.

Grant of Bhogi timber at reduced rates.

Mr. C. Nagappa, Nagar Taluk.

Summary of discussion.—Owing to the damp weather, timber used for houses in Malnad deteriorate early. Bhogi timber is somewhat durable. This may, it is requested, be granted to raiyats according to Raiyats' Privilege Rules.

Reply of Government.—Final orders have been passed by Government in their Proceedings No. 7591-2—Ft. 113 05-7, dated the 20th December 1905, allowing certain further concessions in the matter. As Bhogi is a valuable timber-yielding tree, its reservation is necessary.

SUBJECT No. 188.

Supply of free license forms to village servants.

Mr. Bhavani Rao, Shikarpur Taluk.

Summary of discussion.—Printed forms of free licenses for firewood have not yet been supplied to village officials. It is therefore requested that the supply may kindly be expedited.

Free grant of license for cutting firewood and other trees on one's holding.

Mr. Lakshminaranappa, Heggaddevankote Taluk.

Much delay is at present being caused in the taluks for the grant of free license for cutting firewood and other trees standing in the raiyats' holding. The patels and shanbhogs may, it is solicited, be empowered to grant such licenses.

Reply of Government.—Instructions will be issued for supplying such free license forms.

SUBJECT No. 189.

Free license to remove honge leaves from District Forests.

Mr. Siddagangappa, Chamrajnagar Taluk.

Summary of discussion.—It is requested that free licenses be granted to raiyats to remove honge leaves from District Forests to manure their paddy fields.

Reply of Government.—Final orders have been passed in Government Proceedings No. 12374-82—L. R. 38-05-3 of 26th March 1906, allowing leaves to be taken on payment of Rs. 1-12-0 per hundred trees. Nothing more can be done.

SUBJECT No. 190

Free grant of all kinds of timber to raiyats for their *bonâ fide* purposes.

Messrs. Kigga Channakesava Rao, Halgur Venkatasubbaiya and Bettagere Subramanya Bhatta, Koppa Taluk.

Summary of discussion.—The privileges conceded to the raiyats for removing wood from (State) Forests are very few and are not beneficial. The wood removable by the eight anna license is hardly fit even for fuel, while the ordinary raiyat cannot afford to take wood applying for the one rupee license, and he is debarred from removing hebbalasu and other hard-grained trees as they are re-